



BLM News

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BLM to Auction 2,284 acres February 2

Las Vegas -- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will offer 2,284.70 acres of land in 60 parcels for sale February 2 beginning at 10 a.m. at Cashman Theatre, 850 Las Vegas Blvd. North. Available parcels vary in size from 1.25 acres to 1,710.86 acres. Fair market value of the parcels is \$369,352,000.

With the exception of two parcels located in Lander County and one located in Elko County, all other parcels are in the Las Vegas Valley. The non-Clark County parcels total 359 acres.

Parcel information can be viewed at www.nv.blm.gov/snplma. All bidders must submit a \$10,000 deposit in certified funds payable to BLM on the day of the sale to obtain a bidder number. To bid on the 1,710-acre parcel, the deposit is \$64,600,000.

At the request of the City of Las Vegas and in concurrence with Clark County, parcels N-78155 through N-78171 will be consolidated and offered as one package containing 17 parcels that have combined area of 42.50 acres and an aggregate value of \$6,470,000.

Funds generated from land sales have been approved for:

- Development of parks, trails, and natural areas in Clark County
- Capital improvements at the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area and other areas managed by the BLM in Clark County, Desert National Wildlife Refuge, Lake Mead National Recreation Area, and the Spring Mountains National Recreation Area
- Conservation Initiatives on Federal lands
- Purchase environmentally sensitive land in Nevada, with priority for lands in Clark County
- Development of a multi-species habitat conservation plan in Clark County
- Lake Tahoe restoration projects

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Under the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act, \$44.2 million has been paid to the State of Nevada General Education Fund and \$76.3 million has been paid to the Southern Nevada Water Authority. To date, 18 auctions have been held and 8,142.77 acres have been sold generating \$1,383,744,611.

At the request of the town of Laughlin and Clark County, a sale of land in Laughlin is scheduled for June 15, 2005, and will be held at the Laughlin high school. Seventy-two parcels consisting of 2,098.19 acres are scheduled to be offered.

The third sale of the year is planned for August 17 and will be held at the Cashman Theatre in Las Vegas. Currently 83 parcels of land in the Las Vegas Valley consisting of 1,095.74 acres will be offered. The 2,395.58-acre North Las Vegas parcel (N-78217) which was removed from the February 2 sale at the request of the city will also likely be offered at the August sale.